

--15. The picture recording apparatus as set forth  
in claim 4,

wherein the compression-encoded data of the  
reduced pictures is recorded to the record medium or another  
record medium.--

--16. The picture recording apparatus as set forth  
in claim 4,

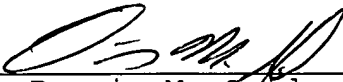
wherein the compression-encoded data of the  
reduced pictures are transmitted using a communication medium.--

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple  
dependencies and new claims 15 and 16 have been added herein.  
The filing fee has been calculated based upon these amendments to  
the claims.

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